chicago coin club chatter

The Chicago Coin Club meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 8 P.M. in the Pine Room of the Congress Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.

JOSEPH E. MERKEL, *President*

MRS. JUDY SABEL, *Secy.-Treas.*

H. J. SHANER, JR., *Editor*

VOL. 13, NO. 1 | 492nd MEETING | JANUARY 13, 1960

The January 13, 1960 meeting of the Chicago Coin Club will be held in the Pine Room of the Congress Hotel at 8 P.M. Final arrangements have not been completed for our meeting quarters for the rest of the year. Indications are that meetings will continue to be held in the Congress as in the past three years. Full notice will be given as developments take place.

NEW OFFICERS INSTALLED IN JANUARY

At the December meeting of the CCC the members elected the following people as 1960 officers:

Glenn Smedley.....President
Hugh Knight.....Vice President
Mike Dolnick.....2nd Vice President

Directors:
Nathan Eglit, Joe Merkle, Herb Shaner

The important post of Secretary-Treasurer is yet to be filled. It is hoped that this office will be filled by Wednesday evening.

The new officers and directors will be officially installed at the meeting, so let's all be on hand to give them a good send-off.

A 30 lot auction will be held after the business meeting. Bring your list and a friend.

It was a great pleasure and privilege to serve as President of the Chicago Coin Club during 1959. I am confident that our new President, Glenn Smedley, will serve the Chicago Coin Club with great distinction, and I am happy to turn the gavel over to such competent hands. 1960, I am sure, will be a great year for the club.

Joe Merkle

1960 DUES PAYABLE NOW

Members are requested to turn their 1960 dues in as soon as possible! Membership Cards are ready and may be picked up at the meeting. If you wish you may mail your dues to Judy Sabel, Acting Secretary, at 6026B N. Winchester, Chicago, and your card will be mailed to you.

Remember Memberships.....$5
Non Resident Memberships.....$1.50
Associate Memberships.....$1

LET'S GET THE DUES IN NOW!

SURPRISE PARTY HONORS SALISBURY

About 30 of Earl Salisbury's numismatic friends held a surprise party for him at the Oak Park Arms Hotel the evening of December 30. Earl and Mrs. Salisbury are heading for a vacation in Florida soon (in time to attend the FUN convention along with Matt Jackson, August Hausske and perhaps others from CCC). The gathering was held to wish them a pleasant trip. A special sterling identification medal was given to Earl to remind him that Oak Park needs him more than does Florida.

CCC COIN SHOP OWNER ROBBED

Two gunmen robbed the Devon Coin and Stamp Shop of coins valued at $25,000. The shop is owned by Morrie Friedman and Ernest Goldberg.

The gunmen forced Friedman into the rear of the shop and taped his hands and ankles. Goldman came into the shop as the robbery was in progress and was forced to join Friedman while the men scooped coins from two unlocked safes. The men escaped in an auto driven by a

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Coin Shop Robbed (Cont.)

third accomplice.

The coins, according to newspaper reports, were early American pieces and part of an uninsured collection.

CCC MEMBER TO START COIN PUBLICATION

Member D. Wayne Johnson has been named by the Sidney Daily News of Sidney, Ohio to edit a new weekly coin publication to be called COIN WORLD. The firm currently publishes a weekly news publication for stamp collectors, LINN'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS.

Johnson graduated from Washington University in St. Louis. Prior to accepting the new position, he worked in the advertising department of the Kansas City KANSAN.

CELEBRATE 25th ANNIVERSARY

Elston and Jean Bradfield recently celebrated their Silver Anniversary. We congratulate them and wish them the very best for the future.

KATHERINE JOY ARRIVES FOR CHRISTMAS

Herb and Ann Shaner are happy to announce the birth of Katherine Joy on December 23. The new baby weighed eight pounds-7 ounces.

Mother and daughter are now at home and doing fine. Sue and Gayle greeted their new sister with "Just what we wanted!"

CASE FOR TRADE

Phil More has a standard deep display case with motorized turn table and stand which he would like to trade for a standard case. Phil hesitates to dismantle it when some one may be able to use it.

CHICAGO COIN CLUB AUCTION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1960

LOT NO.	DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL	PRICE
1	3¢ Nickel 1865-1866-F, 2¢ 1864 - VG, 10¢ 1841-1853 Arrows G	5.85
2	2 - 1859 Indian cents VG to F	4.00
3	12 Indian cents - common dates - F to AU	5.00
4	1936 Washington 25¢ Unc	3.75
5	50¢ 1917 D on obverse - AU	14.00
6	50¢ Columbions - 1-1892 and 2-1893 AU	3.00
7	50¢ - 1893 o and 1936 F - 1894S $1.00 V.G.	10.00
8	Canada 5¢ Silver 1880 H - A.F.	2.50
9	4 - 1938-P - Jefferson 5¢ Unc	3.00
10	Mercury 10¢ - 1919S-G, 1920D-G, and 1927D-G	3.90
11	Mercury 10¢ - 12 common dates F to AU, 5¢ 1903-F, 1940 Unc, 1902-G, 1936 - F, 3¢ nickel 1867 - F	7.00
12	Roll - 1¢ Unc - 1946D	5.75
13	Short Roll - 43 pieces - 1949P - 1¢ Unc(Full roll retails at $22.50)	
14	Maria Theresa Thaler 1780 Unc	1.75
15	Great Britain 1953 Crown in plastic case Unc	2.00
16	50¢ - 1898S - G and 1913P - G	11.00
17	Philippine Coins - 1944 - Last coins issued under U.S. F to Unc 50 - 20 - 10 & 5 centavos	2.00
18	1873 - 5 Francs - Hercules Group - France AU	5.00
19	Lincoln 1¢ Freak - 1945 Unc - 10% off center	--
20	Rome - Antoninus Pius - Sestertius - F	5.00
21	5¢ - 1912S - F	17.50
22	Lot of 5¢ Unc - 1944S - 1945D - 1945S, 1946P - D & S	3.20
23	25¢ Liberty standing 1921P - F	18.00
24	25¢ Liberty standing 1924S - AF	5.00
25	25¢ Liberty standing 1926S - F+	8.00
26	25¢ Liberty standing 1927S - F+	11.00
27	Railroad medal - Illinois Central Centenary - Metallic Bronze-78MM Unc	5.00
28	Lot of standing Liberty Quarters, 1927P & D, 1928P-D-S, 1929 P-D-S, 1930P-S All good	5.00
29	Pack of 96 Facsimile Confederate Currency $1.00 to $100.00 Unc	4.00
30	ODD and Curious - Manila token, Bronze-Birmingham type	2.50

CHICAGO COIN CLUB CHATTER

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FEBRUARY 10, 1960

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

After writing a full page letter to CCC members, your President was encouraged to put it in the waste basket instead of in the mail box. So here's the essence of it.

Altho we start 1960 without an elected secretary and without a meeting place (after February), this should be a big year in the Club's record. We will hold and celebrate our 500th meeting on September 14 after, we hope, winning an award in National Coin Week competition. The Medal Committee has designed an attractive medal to appropriately mark the 500th meeting. What we need now is more active participation of all members. Pay your dues promptly, help find a new meeting place, come to the meetings and bring an exhibit, and volunteer to help in the work of operating the Club. Make an exhibit and sign up a new member for CCC and ANA during National Coin Week, April 24-30. Out-of-town members plan to attend the 500th meeting, Sept. 14.

In short, get behind the Club by doing rather than merely thinking and talking about it. Remember, getting behind the Club will put you in front; both you and the Club will be better if you'll take an active part.

GLENN B. SMEDLEY

The meeting on the 10th will be a very important one in many ways, so let's have a big turnout.

Phil More will be on hand with our new portable library. The project was started months ago after the club decided the old library was not serving the members as adequately as it might. Since our new library is on wheels, it will be available to members at each meeting.

The 500th Meeting Medal, the design of which was shown for the first time at the January meeting, will be officially up for discussion. The shape of the medal is that of a center section of a barrel split lengthwise. The design, a composite of ideas turned into the committee by members, exemplifies the spirit of Chicago and the CCC.

Also on the agenda is the subject of National Coin Week. Last year after a late start and a weak, to say the least, effort, we decided to give it both guns this year. Augie Hausske is the chairman--he knows how to work, so all we have

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to do is give him all the help he needs. If we can line up locations and exhibits now, the CCC can come up the point scale as well as give the people of Chicago a real show.

February is a great exhibit month, for it seems that more great people were born and more important events occurred during this month than during any other.

Here is just a partial list, around one or more of which an exhibit can be formed. Supreme Court held its first session under John Jay in 1790. Washington was elected President in 1789. On the same day, the 4th, 72 years later, delegates of the seceding states met to frame a government for the Confederacy. On the 7th, the fiftieth anniversary of the Boy Scouts in America will be celebrated. On the 12th Abraham Lincoln was born in 1809--John L. Lewis was born in 1880. Susban B. Anthony, crusader for women's suffrage, was born on the 15th. Just 140 years ago, on the same day in 1898, the Maine blew up in Havana harbor, killing 260 men and setting the stage for the Spanish-American War. In 1885 on the 21st, the Washington Monument was dedicated after 37 years of construction. 238 and 150 years ago the 22nd, George Washington and Frederic Chopin, respectively, were born. On the 24th, in 1868, the House resolved to impeach Andrew Johnson. The 26th, 1815, saw Napoleon escape from Elba with 1,200 men to begin his rule of 100 days, which ended at Waterloo. And speaking of great events, Phil More moved into the Grandfather class when his daughter gave birth to 7 lb. 11 oz. Monica Jean Rielly on the 1st.

JANUARY MEETING EXHIBITS

E. Jonas---Papal State, Sede Vacante Scudo 1869, Scudo Innocent XI 1634, Scudo Benedict XLV 1754, Pius IX one and two Lira, Roman Republic Scudo 1798-1799, Vatican City sets for 1929 and 1958.

Hugh Knight---Medal of the first 707 jet flight.

Joe Merkel---Silver and Bronze medal of the Milwaukee Coin Clu.

M. Vernon Sheldon---Mormon Notes.

Arlie Slabaugh---Japanese occupation money.

NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS

We offer our sincerest sympathy to Mike Powills whose father passed away in early January. The elder Mr. Powills was 96 years old.

We are sorry to report that Earl Salisbury is very low. We know that your cards and letters will cheer him--his home is at 628 Clarence Ave., Oak Park.

Matt Jackson sends word from the Bahamas that he is enjoying a Caribbean Cruise and will be back around the 1st of March.

In case you missed the word last month, Dues are due and payable.

Regular Memberships.....$5.00
Non-Res. Memberships..... 1.50
Assoc. Memberships..... 1.00

LET'S GET OUR DUES PAID!

CHICAGO COIN CLUB CHATTER

GLENN B. SMEDLEY
253 WASHINGTON BLVD
OAK PARK, ILLINOIS

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MARCH 9, 1960

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Save Secretary's 1959 Report on back

SPECIAL NOTICE! LAKE VIEW BUILDING, 116 S. MICHIGAN AVENUE
NEW HOME OF CHICAGO COIN CLUB

MARCH 9, 1960 MEETING

The Woodrow Wilson Room on the second floor of the Lake View Building was chosen as the new meeting room at the February Meeting after a report was given on the various places available to the Club. It was the unanimous opinion of all of those members who have seen the room that it is most suitable to our needs. It is large, has hat and coat racks, has storage space for our cases and library, is easily reached by elevator or single-flight stairway, and the building itself is centrally located and in a good neighborhood. Now, we are not going to tell you all of the other fine features of the room, for we want you to come down and see for yourselves on Wednesday night! To celebrate our first meeting in the new headquarters, Mrs. Glenn Smedley and the President will serve "coffee and..." after the meeting.

"Odd Coins of the 20th Century", a brand new A.N.A. slide film, will be shown during the meeting.

NEW MEMBERS

We wish to welcome the following people as members of the C.C.C.:

Arvid Anderson
833 Aldine, Chicago

Ken E. Bressett
3613, 10th St., Racine, Wis.

Phillip Hemlock
3601 N. Kedvale, Chicago

W. J. McMahon
39, 5th Ave., New York, N.Y.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Arthur Wend
2909 W. Jarvis, Chicago

EARL L. SALISBURY PASSES AWAY

After a long illness, Earl Salisbury, member 503 and former Secretary (1952) of the CCC, passed away Friday, February 26, in Oak Park Hospital. Prior to retirement, Mr. Salisbury was credit manager of Lyon and Healy. He is survived by his widow, Ruth, a daughter, Mrs. Lois Sachs, and two brothers. Services were held Feb. 29, in Oak Park.

Earl Salisbury was well known to all CCC members, for he was always on hand when anything had to be done and his winning smile greeted everyone. A great organizer, he helped form the Oak Park Coin Club and later served as its President.

All of us in the Chicago Coin Club offer Mrs. Salisbury our warmest friendship and deepest sympathy.

500TH MEETING MEDAL MOTION

The blizzardy, blustery night of February 10 occasioned two important events. It was the last meeting of the C.C.C. held in the Pine Room of the Congress Hotel. And the 25 or less people who braved the elements to attend both approved and passed one of the most important motions the club has had before it in years. The motion on the 500th Meeting Medal is the culmination of many months of work and represents the kind of solid achievement which testifies to the strength, purpose and dedication of the CCC and its members. The motion follows:

Motion made by Mr. Vernon Sheldon, Chairman of 500th Meeting Medal Committee, and unanimously adopted.

That the Chicago Coin Club 500th Meeting Medal be sold by subscription to members and non-members, with the closing date for the subscription sale July 30, 1960, and the distribution to take place at the 500th Meeting on September 14, 1960; and

That the dies be made and strike 200 bronze medals and 100 sterling silver medals, with the sale price to subscribers set at $4.00 for the bronze and $8.00 for the silver; and that the sale price be increased 25% after closing of the subscription book July 30, 1960; and

That the Committee advertise this medal in The Numismatist, Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine and other numismatic periodicals, and solicit news coverage and supply photographs for illustration of said medal; and

That this Committee handle all the business transactions by advertising to sell and collect subscription orders, produce the medals, pay all bills thereto, and render a final report to the Club.

500th Meeting Medal Committee
Friberg, Knight, Powills,
Kopicki, treasurer, Sheldon
chairman.

The 500th meeting memorial medal will be of barrel contour design, approximately 72 by 52 mm size. This unusual and pleasing design was prepared by member James A. Friberg, a local architectural designer.

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The obverse center shows the world with expanding comet-like lines originating at Chicago; with vertical reading "CHICAGO" on the left and "1960" on the right, all struck incuse. The top panel is the ornate 1869 Chicago water tower and the bottom panel shows the building skyline looking down the Chicago River from the Lake's edge. The reverse shows the dates of the occasion and the Chicago Coin Club corporate seal.

Subscription blanks will be enclosed with the April issue of The Chatter. Watch for illustrations in The Numismatist and in the Scrapbook Magazine.

CHICAGO COIN CLUB
Incorporated, Illinois, January 19, 1938
Balance Sheet at December 31, 1958 and December 31, 1959
(Reported in Whole Dollars)

ASSETS	1958	1959
Cash in Bank	$ 442	
12/31/59 Less $29 due Judy Sabel for over deposit of Club funds ($435)	____	$ 406
Securities Owned (at cost)		
Three U.S. Bonds Series "J" $100 par val.	216	216
Property Account		
18 Exhibit cases at cost	188	188
3 Wooden Shippers at cost	133	133
Steel Filing Cabinet 4 drawer legal size	50	50
	$ 371	$ 371
TOTAL ASSETS	$1029	$ 993

Members' Equity: Non-distributable
1958 - 197 members. 1959 - 204 members.

Treasurer's Report of Income, Expenditures, Etc.
For The Year Ended December 31, 1959.
(Reported in Whole Dollars)

Income	1959		1960		
Dues Collected	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.	
Regular	97	$485	60	$300	
Associate	10	10	7	7	
Non-Resident	23	34	10	15	
Junior	0	0	0	0	
	130	$529	77	$322	$ 851
Net income from Club Auctions and Fall Festival					
Gross receipts		$2784			
Less Pmts. to members & other costs		2728		56	
Proceeds from the sale of badges				74	
Proceeds from sale of H. Knight's book				7	
					$ 988
Less Expenditures					
Rent		$220			
Club Badges		107			
Stationery, Supplies, & Postage		380			
Editor's Reimbursement		50			
Tips to porters		38			
Secretary's Reimbursement		30			
Medals (Merit, Exhibit, Literary)		119			
					$1024
Net expenditures in excess of income					(36)
BALANCE, December 31, 1959					406

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Membership by Classes	Regular	Associate	Non-Resident	Junior
As of December 31, 1959	155	19	29	3

Total membership as of December 31, 1958 was 197

Medal Awards during 1959 -
Medals of Merit for outstanding numismatic achievement and service awarded to:
Herbert Chanin, Jr. and Ernest Jonas.
Exhibit Medals for best exhibits at Fall Festival awarded to:
Harry Flower, Nathan Eglit, Howard Eklund, Philip Kern, and Evelyn Laurie.
Literary Award to: Nathan Eglit.

Judy Sabel
Secretary-Treasurer

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APRIL 13, 1960

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MEETING PLACE
LAKE VIEW BUILDING, 116 S.MICHIGAN AVENUE

APRIL 13, 1960

The April meeting will feature an auction of 50 lots to be held at the conclusion of the business meeting.

The auction is a very fine one, so look it over carefully.

NEW MEMBER

Arthur Ivener,
2909 W. Jarvis, Chicago

The March Meeting was a sort of Christening of the new home of the CCC at the Lake View Building at 116 S. Michigan Avenue and a large number of members attended. Judging from comments heard during the evening, the large, pillarless room was well accepted.

Mrs. Glenn Smedley made the first meeting in the new room even more memorable when she served very delicious cake and cookies with coffee after the meeting. The club wishes to thank her very much for her kindness.

MEETING EXHIBITS

The Chatter for the last two years or so has endeavored to list the exhibits and exhibitors of the previous month. From time to time, for lack of space or lack of complete information, no such list appears.

In order that the Chatter may always be up to date on the exhibits, we ask you to do the following on the night that you exhibit: Fill out the form Mr. Hoppe will give you as soon as you arrange your exhibit in the case. Return the form to Mr. Hoppe and he in turn will give it to the Secretary. After they have been recorded in the minutes, the exhibit blanks will be sent to the Chatter.

We want to apologize to R. H. Rosholm, a member whom we have slighted through omission, in recent months, for fine exhibits such as his are very important to our meetings.

500th Memorial Meeting Medal

The Medal Committee reports orders received from the Numismatic Scrapbook article, March issue, raised the nonmember medals on order above those for CCC Members - momentarily only. Let's keep the ball rolling--fill out the order blank as soon as possible!

Please send or hand your subscription order and payment to this Committee; because the order for the tools will be issued when one half of the three hundred medals to be initially struck are in the orderbook of the Medal Committee. All orders and payments will be acknowledged and receipted for by letter.

C.C.C. Members and Friends are thanked most cordially for assistance and suggestions favored towards bringing into being another artistic numismatic medal.

Medal Committee

Jim Friberg	Mike Powills
Hugh Knight	Glen Smedley, Officio
I.T. Kopicki	M.V. Sheldon, Chm.

CHICAGO COIN CLUB

AUCTION PROCEDURE

Within the past year of operation of the present Committee, certain conclusions have had to be made based from experience in the past auctions. As a result of various discussions with the Committee and before the Board of Directors, the Committee has decided that in order

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to eliminate practices that are of no benefit to the Club or to the work of the Committee, that the fee schedule with reference to items that are bid in and bought back by consignor will be raised from 10¢ to 25¢. The regular schedule previously in practice of a ten percent commission on all purchases will remain. Also, in all merchandise consigned, only those items that will bring a minimum of at least $2.00 will be accepted, unless made into lots with other items that will bring that minimum figure.

One of the reasons that the Committee has found for these changes is that some auctions have been so poor in results especially where in one case only about $4.00 was earned by the Club either because the material was of inferior quality or because the consignor purchased back most or all of his material. When a consignor purchases back his material, the Club only receives 10¢ on each piece; or in case of inferior material, that brought only 25¢ or 50¢. The work, labor and cost of mimeographing, plus postage, did not warrant the time and expense involved.

The Committee urges the cooperation of all members in the Club in view of these comments in the following respect:

1. To furnish better and higher grade material wherever possible that will stimulate more action on the floor, and will act as an incentive to bring many members to these meetings.
2. The Committee also urges cooperation from those members who bid on the floor to make reasonable bids which the consignor will accept, and not to make ridiculous bids which will insure the consignor to buy the item back.
3. In view of the fact that the rental of our quarters has almost doubled, the Auction Committee is trying to build up the auctions with better quality material, so that the income derived from this source may take up the slack in the Club's budget. It is thought that this medium would be a better way than using other means and assessing members or raising dues.

It is therefore, with this thought in mind, that the Committee has arrived at the conclusions in this announcement, and hopes for the cooperation of all members in this effort.

PHILIP MORE, Chairman,
Auction Committee

1960 Committees Named

President Glenn Smedley has appointed the following people to committees for 1960. The first name listed is the Chairman.

Attendance-Registration:

Joseph Unseitig, Jr.

Auction Material:

Philip J. More, Nathan Eglit, Howard Ecklund, Jim Duffy

Auctioneers:

Lee Hewitt, Harold R. Klein, Thomas F. Shugrue

Entertainment-Program:

Hugh Knight, Michael Dolnick

Exhibits:

William Hoppe

Grievance:

Elston Bradfield, M.A. Powills, Richard Yeoman

Librarian:

To be Named

Ladies Activities:

Mrs. Magdalena Jonas, Mrs. August Hausske

Membership:

Harold R. Klein, Henri Ripstra, Francis E. Dorsey, Stanley Kruswicki

Publicity:

H.J. Shaner, Jr., Lee F. Hewitt, Hugh M. Knight

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Sergeant at Arms:
C. Sam Carlson, N. E. Olson

A.N.A. Club Representative:

August F. Hausske

Secretary-Treasurer (s) Elected

Our problem of finding a Secretary-Treasurer was solved at the March meeting. The club simply elected two to the post. Judy Sable will serve as Secretary-Treasurer, and J. Thomas Nolan, elected as an assistant, will serve when Judy is out of town. The club is glad to have that important position filled.

J. THOMAS NOLAN ROBBED

The apartment of Tom Nolan and his two room mates was looted on March 16. Some 15 suits were taken along with some $1200 worth of 1950-59 Proof Sets and a valuable camera. Since the looters passed up Whitman folders of coins, Tom believes that the burglars had no knowledge of coins and their value.

Police did find two or three good finger prints, so there is hope that the thieves will be caught.

$100,000 Gold Hoard Found

One of the most interesting coin stories developed right here in Chicago last week. Executors of the estate of a Chicago broker, Stanley R. Pierce, followed a map, found in his safety deposit box, and unearthed a $100,000 hoard of gold coins at the rear of his home. The coins were secreted in a chest beneath a plum tree in 1928 or 1929, apparently as a hedge against future depression.

The broker died childless in December of 1959 and left his entire estate (1 million in securities) to Northwestern University. The dates of the $5, $10 and $20 gold pieces have not been divulged, but it is believed that they will be sold at public auction. The value of the coins is considerably beyond the $100,000 figure, but the slide rule experts are having a wonderful time figuring out what the net worth would be had the original amount been buried in General Motors, U.S. Steel or A.T. and T.

1959 DUES PAYABLE NOW

Time is growing short to get in your 1959 dues. Regular Membership dues is $5. Non-Residents are $1.50 and Associates are $1. Send dues to our Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Judy Sabel at 6026 "B" N. Winchester Avenue, Chicago. Or you can bring them to her at the meeting.

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MAY 11, 1960 H. J. SHANER, JR., Editor

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MAY MEETING

At the May meeting, some exhibitor will win a 1960 proof set in a drawing. Notice that this will be a drawing--not an award for the best exhibit. Size of exhibit and value of material do not count, but exhibits have to have numismatic interest to be included in the drawing. The proof set has been donated.

May 11th should be a fine evening, and we may have as a special guest, William H. Dilliston, an authority on paper money, of Paterson, New Jersey. Bring an exhibit and come on down to 116 S. Michigan Ave.--the Lake View Building. If you have got a paper, bring it along, for time is running short and there is a fine medal at stake.

APRIL EXHIBITORS

Ernest Jonas -
Fredrick August I, The Strong Shooting Festival Taler Klippe 1717 and August II Taler Kippe of 1740.
4 Ill. State Fair Badges of 1905, 1912, 1913, 1915.

Chester Poderski -
Hawaiian Dollar and Half Dollar of 1883.

Roy Westrich -
Uncut sheet of currency from State of Michigan. State bank notes, $10 gold notes, 10¢ note, $1 note and a $2 Turnpike note.

CSNS CONVENTION REPORT

The weekend of April 29-May 1 saw a very fine Central States convention in Detroit, Michigan. Between 20 and 30 CCC members attended the big convention at the Sheraton-Cadillac and from all reports were not disappointed.

Harry X Boosel terminated a very fine term of office when he turned over the reins to newly elected President Ray Lefman of Kansas City. Paul E. Olson of Minneapolis was elected Vice President, and Doc Epps of Michigan was re-elected Sec.-Treas. August Hausske was re-elected to the Board of Governors.

The Auction, conducted by French's of Troy, New York, was well attended. Prices were generally up to out-of-sight.

Trophies were awarded to the exhibit winners, and Robert McNamara won Best-of-Show.

Past Presidents were given silver medals at the banquet which climaxed the event.

NATIONAL COIN WEEK EXHIBITS

August Hausske had a display at the LaSalle National Bank and I.T. Kopicki displayed currency and coins out at the Lawndale National Bank. Both exhibits were well received and created much interest.

ORDER 500th MEETING MEDAL NOW!

If you have not ordered your 500th Meeting Medal yet, be certain to do so soon. One half of the initial order of 300 medals must be in the book before tools may be ordered--so please don't delay. Order blanks were included with the April Chatter. Orders may be sent in or brought to the meeting. Bronze medals are $4, and Silver medals are $8.

Vernon Sheldon, Medal Committee Chairman, reports that several orders have come in from Scrapbook and Numismatist readers. The medals will be issued on the 500th Meeting in September.

DUES, ANYONE?

If you haven't paid your dues for 1960 now is the time to do it...time is growing short and the treasury needs the money. Judy Sabel will appreciate getting the money as soon as possible.

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VOL. 13, NO. 6 497th MEETING JUNE, 1960

JUNE 8, 1960 MEETING

For those of you who have not been around to a meeting for a while, our new meeting place is at 116 S. Michigan Avenue in the Lake View Building, right across the street from the Art Institute; and we would like to see you at the June Meeting. Bring an exhibit or that paper you have been meaning to write, or just bring yourself. Last month we had a very good group of exhibits, and even though we do not have a drawing award for the exhibitors this month, we hope that there will be lots of exhibits.

Phil More and his auction committee will be looking for any material you might want to consign for the July auction, so remember to bring it along.

NEW MEMBERS

William A. Campbell, Jr.
412 Beloit Avenue
Forest Park, Illinois

Allen H. Meyer
444 W. Belmont
Chicago, Illinois

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

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Let's Keep The CCC Growing!

MAY EXHIBITS

HARRY X BOOSEL --
1873 Coins and Medals of Austria, 1873 $20 Gold Pieces with open and closed 3's. Central States Past President Silver Medal, 1873-1873 Booklet by Boosel.

NATHAN EGLIT --
Uncle Sam in Numismatics, 2 Atlantic Cable Tokens, 2 Pan Pacfic so called dollars, Karl Goetz medal, and a political button.

FRANCIS DORSEY --
Sede Vacante Vatican coins of 1939 and 1958, 2 Gold Celestons from Nation of Outer Space.

CLIDE L. GRIMM --
1616 Sommer Island, 1652 N.E., 1652 Willow Tree, 1652 Pine Tree, 1652 Oak Tree, 1659 Baltimore, 1783 Chalmers Shillings.

ERNEST JONAS --
1806, 38, 53, 93 U.S. half dollars; Germany 1913 bronze patterns by Karl Goetz, silver patterns by Goetz; Chicago, Illinois broken bank notes of Branch State Bank, 1839; Illinois Side Wheeler, P. Palmer & Co., Chicago, 25¢ and 50¢.

PHILIP J. MORE --
Priced Catalog

WALTER NEMECEK --
German 25th Wedding Anniversary Medal by Bremmer, CCC 400th Meeting Medal and Oak Park Coin Club 100th Meeting Medal.

(OVER)

CHESTER PODERSKI --
Greek and Roman coins

TED POKORNEY --
400th Anniversary Medal of the founding of Florida, 1513-1913.

M. VERNON SHELDON --
Canadian Charter Banks' Issues, $2, 5, 10 and 20 notes.

ARLIE SLABAUGH --
Encased Cents.

CCC NOTES

While attending the Mayors Conference in Chicago, the Mayor of Paterson, N.J., William Dilliston was entertained at a luncheon at Berghoffs by Sheldon, Jackson, Smedley, Hausske & Kopicki.

Mayor Dilliston is an authority on early National Bank Notes and Broken Bank Bills.

DO IT NOW

Over half the minimum number of 500th meeting medals have been subscribed. An order has been placed for the dies. Prices, until July 30, $4 for bronze, $8 for sterling. If any are available after that, prices will be $5 and $10. ORDER NOW. Make check payable and send order to M. Vernon Sheldon, Chairman, 451 Wrightwood Avenue, Chicago 14, Illinois. Medals available at September meeting.

GOLD COINS GAINING IN FASHION

According to Sylvia Porter, syndicated financial columnist appearing in the Chicago Daily News, Gold coins are becoming more and more popular as pieces of Jewelry. In her May 31 column, she pointed out that sales of gold coins in the major foreign exchange markets are running around $500,000 a month and rising. A year ago the figure was $60,000 a month. The largest factor for the rise is said to be great interest in coins for Jewelry--a new hobby. Her source, Mr. F. C. Tordella of the Perera Co., large foreign banknote house, states that U.S. gold is the best buy.

The column ends by suggesting that if you are not near a foreign banknote house, you can get the gold coins you want by asking your banker to get them for you. Miss Porter is probably a little confused at this point, but she may inspire your wife to give you a coin or two in a set of cuff links instead of a tie for your next birthday. Remember that a gold coin in a cuff link or brooch has much more status and fashion value than one in a vault.

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GLENN SMEDLEY, Pres. MRS. JUDY SABEL, Secy.-Treas. H. J. SHANER, JR., Editor
VOL. 13, NO. 7 498th MEETING July, 1960

JULY 13, MEETING

Be certain to be on hand for the July Meeting. There will be an auction of fifty lots, and there are several important matters to be discussed. The first is the 500th Meeting, that significant milestone is but two meetings away, and August Hausske, in charge of arrangements, would like to have suggestions from the members on how they would best like to mark the event. The 500th Meeting Medals will be distributed at that meeting.

The second order of business is the Annual All-Day Chicago Coin Club Coin Convention. Should it be held in October, as usual, moved up or held over until next year? Such projects as the Library, finding a meeting place, 500th Meeting have so occupied the club that the Annual Convention was obscured to some degree. Perhaps the Club would rather plan a big extra meeting auction in lieu of the Annual Convention. At any rate, let's decide what we are going to do at the July meeting.

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JUNE EXHIBITS

EARL F. BARGER--Philippine Islands Proof Set of 1903; Central Asian Exposition Medal of 1891.
HARRY FLOWER--Display of material showing the Great Seal of U.S.
ERNEST JONAS--10 varieties of German 5 Mark Gold pieces, Hamberg 10 and 20 Mark Gold, German East Africa and German New Guinea Gold, U.S. 5¢ 1937, both varieties unc.
I. T. KOPICKI--Oak Tree and Pine Tree Shillings dated 1652.
STANLEY KRUSWICKI--Commemorative Coins of Canada, $25 Dollar Notes, Bank of Canada.
BEN ODESSER--two medals; Ehrlich and Hata, Sigmund Freud.
CHESTER PODERSKI--1960 D Lincoln cents with so called small and large date.
ARLIE SLABAUGH-- Postal Money Orders and Confederate Advertising Notes.

JULY LAST MONTH TO ORDER 500TH MEETING MEDALS BEFORE THE PRICE GOES UP!

Members are urged to get their orders in now for the 500th Meeting Medals. $4 for bronze, $8 for Sterling until July 30. The price advances 25% after that date, so make certain that you send your order to Vernon Sheldon or see him at the July meeting. You may mail orders with checks payable to Vernon Sheldon, Chairman, 451 Wrightwood Ave., Chicago 14, Illinois. The medals will be distributed at the September meeting.

CCC NOTES

During the months of July and August, the Chicago Public Library is exhibiting Nate Eglit's Political and Presidential campaign tokens, medals and badges. There are over 1000 pieces in the collection. The exhibit may be seen on the main floor of the Library on the Randolph Street side. With the coming of the conventions, Nate's fine collection should be of real interest to Chicagoans.

Irv Harris's son, movie star Mark Damon, recently appeared on the Jack Paar show. Mark's rise has been steady, and if his performance on the Paar show is any indication, we will be seeing much more of him in films and on TV.

Our new Librarian, Chester Poderski, moved the books from the old library at Fred Clarke's office in June with the help of Mike Dolnick and Phil More. Members helped transfer the books from Michigan Ave. to the new book case as they came to the meeting. The library is now completely installed and indexed, and members may start borrowing books. Members Phil More and Judy Sabel donated books on Fractional Currency to the library in June.

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The Chicago Coin Club will hold its 499th meeting in the Lake View Building at 116 S. Michigan Avenue on August 10th at 8 P.M.

ORIGINAL MEDAL PRICE EXTENDED UNTIL THE AUGUST MEETING

Last month it was announced that the price of the 500th Meeting Medal would advance 25% after July 31. It has been decided to extend the $4 (bronze) and $8 (sterling) prices to members to the August 10th meeting. After the 10th, and at present to non-members, price will be $5 and $10.

As of this date, 137 bronze, 72 silver and 3 gold medals have been ordered. The gold medal is 14K rose-gold alloy and weighs between 4 and 4¼ ounces. The cost is $135. No orders for gold will be taken after August 10. Send orders with remittance before August 10th to M. Vernon Sheldon, 451 Wrightwood Ave. Chicago 14. If you wish, you may bring your order to the meeting.

JULY EXHIBITS

HARRY X. BOOSEL --1873 proof $10; 1873 Quarter, no arrows, open 3; 1873 Book by Harry Boosel.

E.G. BRADFIELD--Press passes used Tribune correspondent, James O'Donnell Bennett for the Republican and Democrat National Conventions of 1920,24 and 32. 1952 Republican Nat. Conv. badge and delegate card of Robert R.McCormick. 2 bronze medal commemorating 1960 centennial of the Republican Convention.

CO. JAMES W. CURTIS--Obsolete Stock Certificates.

HARRY FLOWER--$20 High Relief of 1907; $1,$2 and $5 Unc. Silver Certificates of the Education Series.

ERNEST JONAS--Lincoln exhibit including 16 national convention badges, a 6"x8" wall plate and a Birth of the Republican Party bronze medal--all bearing Lincoln portraits.

I.T.KOPICKI--100th Anniversary of Independence, 1876--showing both obverse and reverse.

M. VERNON SHELDON--The Great Seal of the United States by A. L. Totten.

ARLIE SLABAUGH--Exhibit supporting his paper about the American Banknote Co.

FRANCIS E. DORSEY PASSES AWAY

Francis E. Dorsey, member of C.C.C and A.N.A. since 1954, died suddenly on July 26. He lived at 9514 S. Green St. and is survived by his wife, Josephine, and daughter, Barbara. As a collector, Francis will be remembered for his beautiful exhibit of silver dollars and a fine paper on commemoratives. He was currently on our Membership Committee. The funeral was held July 30, with interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery. We express our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Dorsey and daughter, Barbara.

CLUB NEWS

The CCC is devoting its attention to plans for its 500th Meeting on September 14. A beautiful and unusual shaped medal to commemorate the event will be delivered at the meeting to subscribers present and mailed to others soon after. The medal may still be purchased in accordance with the original announcement (as announced in lead paragraph) at $4 in bronze and $8 in silver. All members and their guests are urged to attend this meeting at the regular time and location. A souvenir history of the club is being prepared and 500th Meeting Chairman, August Hausske is arranging for refreshments.

Our portable library now is further enhanced with two large identifying medals. Phil Moor produced and installed the fine work. July also saw several books donated by members to the library.

Several of our members are looking forward to attending the A.N.A. Convention in Boston, August 24-27.

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SEPTEMBER 14, 1960

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C O M E O N E -- C O M E A L L -- TO THE BIGGEST MEETING OF THE YEAR

THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB'S

500TH MEETING

WHERE ..... THE LAKE VIEW BUILDING
116 SO. MICHIGAN AVENUE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

TIME ..... 8 P.M., SEPTEMBER 14, 1960

AN INFORMAL PROGRAM FEATURING

- Short Business Meeting
- EXHIBITS (limited to Club and Chicago numismatic history)
- FELLOWSHIP...Meet and talk with CCC friends both old and new.
  ...Hear short talks about the club and how it got that way by the people who were there.
- REFRESHMENTS...coffee and cake.
- PRESENTATION OF 500TH MEETING MEDALS

The 500TH Meeting of the Chicago Coin Club is one you will not want to miss, because it is for, about and by you, the members, of one of the country's oldest and finest coin clubs.

The meeting will be very informal, so that members, new and old, from town and out-of-town, can talk and hear about the old days, the today days and the to be days. There will be plenty of Numismatics, a lot to see and good talk! There will be no bourse. In short, just come to enjoy yourselves.

The bronze, silver or gold 500th Meeting Medals will be presented to all purchasers. The medal was designed and created by you and represents every phase, past, present and future of the Chicago Coin Club and its members.

A Souvenir Booklet giving the history of the club, the Medal and a recap of the events of the 500TH Meeting will be distributed at the October Meeting of the CCC. All members as well as all 500th Meeting guests and non member purchasers of medals will receive a copy of the booklet.

REMEMBER THE DATE, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1960
THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB'S 500TH MEETING

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VOL. 13, NO. 10 501ST MEETING OCTOBER 12, 1960

The 501st meeting of the C.C.C. should be a very good one for several reasons: 1. It now seems certain that 500TH Meeting Medals will be available for all members who purchased one and are reasonably expected to attend. Medals will be mailed to out-of-town members and purchasers later in the week. (They will also be mailed to owners who live close but for one reason or another can not attend.) 2. The special 500TH Meeting Souvenir Booklet will also be passed out at the Wednesday meeting. Those who attended last month as well as Medal purchasers will be mailed one. 3. The finest auction the Chicago Coin Club has seen in a long time will be held. All of the material is either proof or uncirculated!

40 of the lots are from the estate of Francis Dorsey and are being sold by his widow, Mrs. Francis Dorsey.

Come to the meeting, bring a friend and bring your auction lists!

500TH MEETING A BIG SUCCESS!

The 500TH Meeting was one of the most memorable evenings the C.C.C. has had in many a year in spite of some disappointing news. Due to the breakdown of machinery at the last moment, it was impossible to pass out the medals which were to mark the event.

That sad note in no way dampened the spirits of the 140 people who arrived for the meeting from all parts of the country. Charter Members Anna M. and J. Henri Ripstra and Ernest Jonas gave short talks about how the club was started and how they became interested in numismatics. Two other Charter Members, Michael P. Carey and George L. Brown talked to the club through letters read by President Smedley.

Also in attendance were 7 past Presidents of the Club: J. Henri Ripstra, 1933-36; Robert L. McBrien, 1939-40; Earl Barger, 1945-46; I. T. Kopicki, 1947-48: Harry X. Boosel, 1951-52; Elston Bradfield, 1955-56; T. F. Pokorney, 1957-58. Oscar Dodson, President of the A.N.A. and member of the C.C.C. sent a congratulatory telegram.

The evening was spent listening to stories of the early days of the club and some of the great characters and collectors who made up its membership. Many C.C.C. "firsts" were cited and will be included in the Souvenir Book. The evening was concluded with the serving of coffee and cake.

The club appreciates the work and effort extended by Vernon Sheldon, Glenn Smedley, Mike Dolnik, August Hausske, Lee Hewitt and many more who enabled us to see why the C.C.C. was and is one of the finest coin clubs in the United States. Vice President Hugh Knight saw to it that the event was reported in the Souvenir Booklet, Numismatist and Scrapbook.

NEW MEMBERS: Jerry Hess, 3315 Monroe St.
Bellwood, Illinois
Jerome A. Majesty, 1502 South Blvd.
Evanston, Ill.
Tommy Ryan, 3357 W. Lawrence
Chicago, Ill.

The above list is not complete due to the setting aside of business at the last meeting.

SCRAPBOOKS DONATED TO LIBRARY

The Club wishes to thank I. T. Kopicki for donating several early volumes of The Scrapbook to the library.

Librarian Chester Poderski has the library completely cataloged and will be glad to assist you in taking out books. Books may be borrowed for one month. Make use of your library!

NEWS NOTES

The late Francis Dorsey won a First Prize for his National Coin Week exhibit... unfortunately, he passed away before the news reached him.

Congratulations are in order for Nate Eglit and Harry Boosel. Nate placed third in the Heath Literary Award and Harry received an honorable mention...remarkable achievements! The club should be very proud that two of its members finished so high in the standings during the same year!

Two C.C.C. members received 25 Year Silver Membership Awards from the A. N. A. this year: Clifford Lindall and Agnella B. McEvilly...congratulations!

The Oak Park Coin Club invites all C.C.C. members to its Annual West Suburban Coin Exhibit at the Oak Park Arms Hotel, Oak Park Avenue and Washington Blvd. in Oak Park. The date is November 6, Sunday, 10 A.M. to 9 P.M.

If you would like to exhibit, contact Laurence Brueck, 5050 W. Washington Blvd., Oak Park.

The event attracts many Chicago and suburban collectors each year to its first class auction, exhibits and bourse. Wooden nickel souvenirs will be passed out at the registration table as long as they last. This year more and better space, all on the ground floor, has been secured for your convenience. Don't miss it!

Be sure and read the 57 Lot Auction List. All uncirculated or proof!

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NOVEMBER MEETING

President Smedley will call for an election of the Nominating Committee at the November Meeting. The Committee will nominate a slate of officers to preside over the club during 1961. The election of officers for 1961 will be held at the December meeting, and they will be sworn into office at the January meeting.

Last month the Chicago Coin Club held one of the finest auctions it has had at a regular meeting. The material was either proof or uncirculated. The club netted over $50 from the 55 lot auction.

That figure bears out what the auction committee has been saying for a long time---good material means better prices for the seller and more profit for the Chicago Coin Club. Last month's auction should serve to end the idea that one can not put first class material in a regular meeting auction and get a fair bid on it. Chicago Coin Club members will bid actively and fairly when the material merits it.

OCTOBER EXHIBITS

Mr. 1873---Documents concerning the Chicago Coin Club's 400th Meeting: Counterstamped Peso; 1873 Chicago Exposition Medal.

I. T. Kopicki---Silver Certificates, Series of 1880 in $50, $20 and $10 denominations.

James A. Friberg---CCC 500th Meeting Medal in tin and silver; one die collar.

Chester Poderski---Political Buttons

R. H. Rosholm---2 pieces of Boat Money from China; Boat Money from Mekong Valley, N. Siam; 10 Liang from Ming Mang, 23-59 B.C.; 1st Prize Medal from Sherbrooke, Canada; 3rd. Prize Medal from Boston; 4 rare, large Canadian cents; 3 rare, 2 pence Canadian tokens; 1858 20¢ piece.

Arlie Slabaugh---selected group of 25 medals and tokens.

.....The Medals are here!

NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS

Hugh Knight gave a talk before the Hawthorn Coin Club on October 28. His subject "Type Faces on Colonial Coins" was well received by the members present---sounds like an interesting subject for a paper.

August Hausske and Mat Jackson took in the MANA Convention in Washington, D. C., October 28-30. August won a third place exhibit award--congratulations!

He reports that the convention was well attended and featured some very fine exhibits, a big bourse and one of the finest banquets he has ever attended -- food-wise and no speaker-wise. The convention was held in the Mayflower Hotel.

The M. Vernon Sheldon's headed southwest for the Texas Numismatic Association Convention in Fort Worth, October 14-16.

Raymond Kaslowski is in the V. A. Research Hospital recovering from a recent operation. Cards may be sent to him in care of the hospital at 333 E. Huron St., Chicago. Room 1405.

THANKSGIVING GREETINGS TO EVERYONE!